

## FREE local events commemorating International Overdose Awareness Day



## **Astoria**

- WHAT: <u>Candlelight vigil</u>
- WHERE: Maritime Memorial Park (10 Bay St.)
- WHEN: Saturday, Aug. 31, 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Hosted by Clatsop County Public Health, the event aims to acknowledge those touched by overdose and raise awareness about overdose prevention. Free naloxone and other resources will be available.

## **Corvallis**

- WHAT: Overdose Awareness Vigil 2024
- WHERE: First Christian Church (602 SW Madison Ave.)
- WHEN: Thursday, Aug. 29, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Hosted by Benton County Harm Reduction Program, join this candlelight vigil to remember those who have died from overdose and acknowledge the grief of the families and friends left behind. Learn more and RSVP on Facebook.

## Eugene

- WHAT: 1st Annual Overdose Awareness Unity Walk and Resource Fair
- WHERE: The 2-mile walk starts at Kesey Square (East Broadway and Willamette St.) and ends at 4th Ave. and Blair Blvd.
- WHEN: Saturday, Aug. 31, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hosted by Restored Connections Peer Center with support from HIV Alliance, this is an event for the community to unite and work together to protect our friends and families. Lane County Commissioner Pat Farr will speak at Kesey Square at 10 a.m., and following the Unity Walk a resource fair at the intersection of 4th and Blair will feature dozens of community partners and resources, including naloxone distribution.

## Klamath Falls

- WHAT: 2024 Klamath County Overdose Awareness Day
- WHERE: Veterans Memorial Park (10 George Nurse Way)
- WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 14, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Hosted by Klamath County Behavioral Health Resource Network (BHRN) and community partners, this is an opportunity to come together to remember and honor those lost to overdose. Community organizations will be on hand to provide resources and remembrance activities. The event will feature free naloxone kits, free raffle and prizes, free food, speakers and music.

## Longview, WA

- WHAT: 1st Annual Cowlitz County Overdose Awareness Day WHERE: Longview Civic Circle (1525 Broadway St.)
- WHEN: Saturday, Aug. 31, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- There will be information booths and speakers from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., free lunch from 2 3

p.m., and personal stories shared from 3 - 6 p.m. Event will be followed by a remembrance walk down 15th Ave and Commerce.

# **Medford**

• WHERE: Northeast corner of Hawthorne Park, near the fountain and playground. (Same

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- location that is used for the Thursday Growers' Market.) • WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 7, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- This will be the 8th year that Max's Mission and its many community partners will gather to remember those lost to overdose, distribute free naloxone, and provide an opportunity to

connect to the many services available in Southern Oregon. Appropriate for the whole family, more than 30 local organizations from Jackson and Josephine counties will be on hand offering a wide array of services to those in need and information to the general public, including multiple treatment agencies, mental health agencies, dual diagnosis support, peer services, grief counseling and OHSU street nurses. There will also be a stage for speakers, naloxone use demonstrations, live music, as well as free food and raffle, a remembrance tent, and activities for the whole family including face painting. **Portland** 

## WHAT: Public memorial • WHERE: 1132 SW 13th Ave. (Outside In courtyard)

- Hosted by <u>Outside In</u>, this is an opportunity to honor the lives of those we have lost, grieve together and stand to prevent overdose loss in the future. For more information and to

• WHEN: Friday, Aug. 30, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Roseburg

#### WHERE: Stewart Park Pavilion (2037 NW Stewart Park Dr.) • WHEN: Saturday, Aug. 31, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• WHAT: 2nd Annual International Overdose Awareness Day

submit names for remembrance, visit the Outside In Facebook page.

Hosted by Adapt Integrated Health Care, HIV Alliance and Douglas Public Health Network, this year's theme, "Together We Can," reflects our commitment to honoring lives lost to

agency resources, keynote speakers, naloxone training, memorial activities, engaging family activities, and an open mic for sharing stories. A free BBQ lunch will be provided, making it a day of reflection, education, and community connection as we come together to raise awareness and make a difference. The Dalles

overdose while offering hope and support to those affected. The event will feature local

wear purple!

WHAT: <u>Overdose Awareness Walk & Resource Fair</u>

 WHERE: Lewis and Clark Park (West 1st St.) • WHEN: Saturday, Aug. 31, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hosted by One Community Health, this event brings together individuals, families and organizations to honor those who have lost their lives to overdose, to support those who are

struggling with addiction and to help reduce the stigma surrounding this issue. The 2-mile

walk begins at Lewis and Clark Park, heads down 2nd Street to Dominos and returns to the

park via 3rd Street. After the walk, enjoy the resource fair where you can connect with local

organizations dedicated to making a positive impact. Signs and memorials are welcome, and